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AGENDA

MOLOKA'I ISLAND **BURIAL COUNCIL MEETING**

DATE:

Wednesday, August 26, 1998

TIME:

9:00 a.m.

PLACE:

Mitchell Pau'ole Center

90 Iona Street

Kaunakakai, Hawai'i 96748

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ATTENDANCE:

Members: William M. Akutagawa, Jr.

Myrle P. Florea

Ronald Kimball

Lawrence Aki

Louella Opu`ulani W. Albino

Philip Solatario

Guests:

Pilialoha L. Kalaiwa`a, Hui Malama I Na Kupuna O

Hawai'i Nei (Hui Malama)

Donald Kalaiwa`a, Hui Malama

Leimana Kaiwi "Raymond" Naki, Mapulehu lineal

descendant

Walter Ritte, Moloka'i resident

Absent:

Anna D. Goodhue

Edwina H. Cacoulidis Luana E. Hamakua

Hawai`i: Earth's Best

I. OPENING REMARKS

Chairperson William M. Akutagawa, Jr. (Akutagawa) called the meeting to order at 9:23 a.m. Councilmember Louella Opu`ulani W. Albino offered the pule wehe.

A. INTRODUCTION OF NEWLY-APPOINTED BURIAL COUNCILMEMBERS

Newly-appointed Councilmembers, Philip Solatario (Solatario) and Louella Opu`ulani W. Albino (Albino) were introduced and welcomed by the council. Solatario replaced Pearl Hodgins; Albino replaced Alapa`i Hanapi (Hanapi).

II. APPROVAL OF JANUARY 28, 1998, MEETING MINUTES

The council amended the January 28, 1998, Meeting Minutes as reflected below:

Page 2; "Guests" subheading; fill in blank lines as follows: <u>Pilialoha</u> Kalaiwa'a, Hui Malama; <u>Kaue</u> Mahoe; and add Louella Opu`ulani W. Albino to the end of list.

Page 8; last ¶; 1st line; fill in blank line with the following: "Louella Opu`ulani W. Albino"; sentence to read:Louella Opu`ulani W. Albino, Moloka`i resident, said she was raised by her kupuna . . .

Page 9; 1st ¶; 1st line; fill in blank line with the following: "Pilialoha"; sentence to read: Pilialoha Kalaiwa`a, Hui Malama, said that she doesn't know the entire history . . .

Page 11; 1st ¶; 1st line; fill in blank line with the following: "Kaue"; sentence to read: Kaue Mahoe, Honolulu resident, said he doesn't care what nationality you are, . . .

A motion was made and unanimously accepted to approve, as amended, the January 28, 1998, Meeting Minutes (Aki/Solatario).

Vote: All in favor.

III. BUSINESS

A. MAPULEHU GLASS HOUSE PROPERTY
Information/Recommendation: Discussion of status of burial treatment.

In order to bring the council and others in attendance up-to-date, Akutagawa provided some background information and, for the record, read through an August 12, 1998, letter to Mrs. Arleone Dibben (Dibben), Nene O Moloka`i, from State Historic Preservation Division (SHPD) Administrator Don J. Hibbard (Hibbard).

When this work was being done, the property owner was present and asked what was happening. Mr. Klaus Gartner said that it was okay because they were going to construct rock platforms. There are two sites -- the one nearest to the highway is completed, and the second one is incomplete.

Walter Ritte (Ritte) explained about the construction of the platforms, and that they were asked by Hui Malama for assistance with working with a group of trainees from the Aquaculture class. They did the work. Ritte further added that a letter was sent by his boss, Mr. Hoffman, requesting removal of the rock platform.

It was reiterated that in Hibbard's August 12th letter, the council determined that the *iwi* be reinterred, and that both the council and DLNR have accepted the plan proposed by Hui Malama.

Leimana Kaiwi "Raymond" Naki (Naki) asked about the *iwi* that is in piles and *iwi* that is still in the brush that hasn't been dealt with. In addition, despite having a stop work order in effect until an archaeological inventory survey on the property was completed, a macadamized road was laid. Akutagawa replied that we first work on the reinterment of the *iwi*

presently being curated by Hui Malama. When that's completed, then we deal with the other *iwi*.

Donald Kalaiwa`a (Kalaiwa`a) said that in order to properly reinter the *iwi*, Hui Malama needs monetary assistance to help with the expenses incurred (*i.e.*, lauhala baskets, kapa, etc.). Akutagawa said that the council will have to ask the State for monetary assistance.

Solatario and Albino both felt like they needed more information to better understand this matter. Akutagawa provided additional background information and apprised them of the notice of violation the council received from Naki's legal counsel, the Native Hawaiian Legal Corporation (NHLC), stipulating that before any burial treatment plan is developed, an archaeological inventory survey of the entire property must be conducted first. In addition, Akutagawa further added that at the January 28, 1998, community meeting, the council unanimously decided that an archaeological inventory survey must be conducted on the property before any further ground disturbing activities occur, and that a cultural monitor, subject to the approval by the council and NHLC, be present at all times during said archaeological inventory survey.

It was brought to the council's attention that Kawaikapuokalani Hewett (Hewett) had submitted information to SHPD requesting that he be recognized as a lineal descendant to the burial sites at Mapulehu. Upon staff recommendation, a motion was made and unanimously accepted recognizing Hewett as a lineal descendant to the Mapulehu burial sites until proven otherwise (Aki/Kimball).

Vote: All in favor.

The council will work with Markell on obtaining Hewett's lineal descendant information, as well as his position on this matter.

A motion was made and unanimously accepted recognizing the Naki family as lineal descendants to the Mapulehu burial sites (Aki/Kimball).

Vote: All in favor.

The majority of the council agreed with the content of Hibbard's August 12th letter to Dibben. Hanapi will coordinate the reinterment for the next *Po Kane* night and will communicate the date/time to the council who, in turn, will inform Dibben via letter and send copies of the letter to all parties involved.

Kimball said that the council must check on the status of NHLC's notice of violation and the State's investigation into the possibilities of an outright purchase of the Mapulehu site or a land swap of State property on Moloka`i.

B. KALAMA`ULA
Information/Recommendation: Discussion of burial
concerns.

Background information was provided to the council. Akutagawa said that the archaeologist indicated that the burial took place in the late 1800's to early 1900's. Hui Malama, Office of Hawaiian Affairs, and the council must participate. The legal notice requirements must still be satisfied, and communication between all three agencies are ongoing.

C. BURIAL SITES PROGRAM
Information/Recommendation: Discussion of program and council concerns.

The SHPD's Burial Sites Program is overworked/understaffed. The program consists of the director, assistant director, cultural historian, and historic sites preservation specialist.

D. CASE UPDATES AND INADVERTENT DISCOVERIES Information: Any recent discoveries, reinterments, and ongoing cases.

None.

IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS

None.

V. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made and unanimously accepted to adjourn the meeting (Solatario/Aki).

Vote: All in favor.

Akutagawa adjourned the meeting at 10:36 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Myrle P. Flores AKB

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Moloka'i Island Burial Councilmember